

## OREGON VEGETABLES

Oregon's 2000 production of five principal vegetable crops (sweet corn, storage onions, processed carrots, snap beans and green peas), totaled 1,066,840 tons, down 12 percent from 1999. Area harvested for these five crops was 113,610 acres, also 12 percent less than last year. Acres harvested for each of these crops was down for 2000 with the exception of processed carrots, which was up 100 acres. The 2000 total value of production from Oregon vegetable crops was \$151 million, an increase of 15 percent from last year's revised total. This increase in value of production is attributable to the increase in onion prices.

Total processed vegetable production of 513,190 tons (3.2 percent of U.S. total) ranked Oregon fifth among the states. U.S. estimates, unlike Oregon, include lima beans, beets, cabbage, and cucumbers for pickles. Oregon's production of these crops is not published. The top five states accounted for 85.1 percent of total U.S.

processing vegetable production, led by California with 62.3 percent of total production. Oregon ranked seventh in total fresh market vegetable production, down from sixth place in 1999. Total fresh market production decreased from 13,821,000 cwt. in 1999 to 12,752,000 cwt. In 2000.

Oregon storage onion value increased 44 percent from 1999 with a seasonal average price of \$9.65 per ton, up \$4.17 from the 1999 price disaster. In 2000 Oregon storage onions were valued at \$77.1 million. Sweet corn for fresh market and processing was valued at \$35.0 million, down 16 percent from 1999. Snap beans for processing were down 2 percent from 1999 at \$25.0 million. The value of processed green peas was \$13.5 million, up 23 percent from last year. Carrots for processing were valued at \$.7 million compared to \$.3 million in 1999.

**Value of production, percent of total, by principal vegetable crop  
Oregon, 2000**

